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For: METHOD FOR FASTER TIMING CLOSURE AND BETTER QUALITY OF
RESULTS IN IC PHYSICAL DESIGN

Box Amendment

10 Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION WITH AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

15 Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 6, 2005, please amend the application as indicated below and consider the following remarks. Note that the period for response to the Office actions mailed on April 6, 2005 is extended to August 8, 2005 (as Aug. 6 is a Saturday) by the enclosed petition for a one month extension of time.

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